**Timely Tidbits ...****TRN Takes Annual Summer Break**

Yep, it's that time again - time for the small but hard-working staff of "the little paper" to skip an issue and catch up on some R&R.

We'll see you again July 28.

Fireworks, Yes; Parade, No

A day of good community fun will finish with a bang on Tuesday, July 4, when the City of Romulus hosts its annual Hometown Celebration and Fireworks Display at Elmer Johnson Park. For a schedule of events, as well as a list of fireworks sponsors, see page 12. (Note: The annual parade - set for Monday, July 3 - has been canceled. Also canceled was the firefighters' waterball event, set for July 4.)

Flyers Registration

The Romulus Flyers are in need of varsity football players (age 12-13) for the 2000-2001 season. Openings are also available for cheerleaders (age 8-13). Registration will be held August 4 (6 to 8 p.m.) and August 5 (11 a.m. to 1 p.m.) at Merriman School. Fee is \$30 for one child; \$15 per additional family member. Parents must bring proof of residency and child's birth certificate.

Ground-breaking Set

Romulus Community Schools invites you to attend the ground-breaking ceremony for its new elementary school. The ceremony is set to begin at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, July 18; picnic-style refreshments will be served afterward. (Note: To ensure that there will be enough for everyone, the district is asking those who plan to attend to call ahead. To make your "reservation," contact Dick Kruse at the District's administrative office: 734-941-1600, ext. 231).

The site is located on Beverly Road just west of the City park at the northwest corner of Beverly and Henry Ruff. Thanks to the City's cooperation, parking will be available in the park's parking lot.

Arbitrator Rules on Disputed Benefits for Former City of Romulus Employees

Mayor William M. Oakley

By Kristi Stephens

Former Romulus Mayor Beverly McAnally and 10 other former City employees (Steve Banko, Lynn Conway, William Greenslait, Marilyn Hoffer, Betsy Krampitz, Donovan McGuire, Marilyn Radford, Matthew Raftary, Mel Zilka, and the now deceased James Panos) have won only a partial victory in their legal battle to recover certain retirement benefits that were rescinded in 1996, a few months after current Mayor William M. Oakley took office.

Some Background

In 1990, the Romulus City Council adopted a Policy and Procedure Manual (PPM) which established a schedule of retirement benefits for City employees not covered by a collective bargaining agreement. In part, the PPM called for the City to pay 50% of the life, health, and dental insurance premiums for retirees who had served a minimum of 10 years; 75% for those who had worked at least 15 years; and 100% for all who had at least 20 years of service. The PPM also stated that these benefits could not be diminished after an employee's retirement or termination.

In 1993, then-Mayor McAnally told nonunion employees that their benefits were going to be modified. In return for concessions in compensation, sick, vacation, and personal-business time, the employees would receive an increase in their retirement package: 50% pre-

mium payments after five years, 75% after eight years, and 100% after 10 years, as well as a \$30,000 increase - from \$20,000 to \$50,000 - in the value of their life insurance.

When McAnally presented these changes to Council during the "Mayor's Report" portion of the Council's November 1, 1993 meeting, no action was taken. (According to Councilman William Wadsworth, who testified on the matter, it was "understood" that updates would be proposed from time to time, and that these would not require a vote unless the Council raised some objection.) Since no objections were raised during the meeting - an assertion that was confirmed by Councilman Randolph Gear - the benefits were implemented.

Not much later, City employee Jan Ark, who had retired after the 1993 PPM went into effect, petitioned Council to have the City administer her case according to the guidelines established in the original PPM (which would have provided her with better benefits), but Council referred Ark's request to the administration. In the end, her benefits were paid according to the 1993 PPM.

In 1995 - prior to the November election in which Oakley defeated McAnally by a very slim margin - further increases were enacted (80% premium payments after five years, 90% after eight years, and 100% after 10 years). Although Oakley would normally have assumed office within a week of the election, McAnally asked for a recount, and remained in office for several more weeks while the City awaited the official vote tally. It was during this "lame duck" period (on December 4, 1995) that McAnally brought the latest benefit increases to the attention of the Council. Again, the package was received without objection.

Accordingly, when McAnally appointee Marilyn Hoffer retired and the others were terminated (between November 10, 1995, and January 12, 1996), they began receiving benefits as spelled out in the 1995 PPM. The payments continued for several months; then, on April 8, 1996, the Council voted to reaffirm the 1990 PPM as the City's official guide. McAnally and her former appointees were notified of the change in their benefits the following month. They decided to file suit against the City.



Former Mayor Beverly McAnally

The Arbitrator's Decision

Following various legal maneuvers, the parties agreed to settle their remaining disagreements through arbitration. On May 10, 2000, arbitrator William P. Daniel handed down a decision that restored the employees' benefits to the 1993 level, but not to the 1995 level.

First of all, Daniel stated that the Council's 1990 resolution establishing nonunion employees' benefits "... was done in the proper form and in accordance with the Charter. Though some evidence would indicate that it was the intent of the council at that time simply to receive recommendations of changes in the future but not to have any formal vote, the law on the subject is clear that regardless of that intent, it could not act in that fashion ..."

Having determined that "... silence did not constitute the necessary legal resolution under the Charter ..." Daniel ruled that the 1995 revisions were never legally adopted. The same would have been true of the 1993 revisions if it hadn't been for Council's knowledge of the Ark petition.

"... The council, in denying her request, publicly and as a matter of record, took the position that at that time ... that employee was entitled only to benefits 'in effect at the time of retirement,'" stated Daniel. "This clearly was a ratification and an adoption of the PPM that

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Letter to the Editor

Ex-Councilman Raspberry Supports Well

Editor's note: The following letter – dated June 17, 2000 – was written to Mr. Russell J. Harding, Director of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, by Mr. Jimmie C. Raspberry, ex-Councilman for the City of Romulus.

Dear Mr. Harding:

I am writing to you as a former Senior Romulus City Councilman in support of the Environmental Disposal Systems, Inc. (EDS) injection wells planned on Citrin Drive in Romulus.

It has been my honor and privilege to have served as a Romulus Constable and as a uniformed Police Officer from 1955 to 1961; a Romulus Trustee from 1961 to 1970; and as a Romulus City Councilman from 1970 to 1973, 1975 to 1985, and 1987 to 1997. I have served longer as a Romulus City Councilman than any other person. In addition, I have served as a member of the Romulus Planning Commission.

My responsibilities were to *all* of the citizens of Romulus, not just those who made the most noise. One of my responsibilities as a Councilman was to protect the health, safety, and welfare of

our citizens. In the past, I fought hard against dumps, landfills, and other suspected polluters where there was just cause. I fought against Michigan Recovery, a toxic-waste company located less than a mile from my family and my home, because they had open lagoons filled with toxic waste. Now, they dump the waste down our sewer system, which then ends up back in our drinking waters. Instead of dumping down the sewer, they should use a deep-injection well to keep it out of the environment.

During the past ten years (since EDS first came to Romulus in 1990), I have taken the time to learn what I can about deep-injection wells. I have reviewed letters from your Geological Survey and Waste Management Divisions, as well as from the States of California, Colorado, Florida, Ohio, Louisiana, and Texas, and read reports from other EPA branch offices, from Canada, and from Professors of Geology at the University of Michigan and Western Michigan University. I have concluded that injection wells, such as the ones which EDS plans to construct on Citrin

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Sixth-grade Graduates



During Halecreek Elementary School's recent graduation and awards assembly, sixth-grade students who were recognized included (from left): front row – Kevin Strobbe, Jonathan McLachlan, Lauren Nierman, Amanda Bailey, and Ashlee Wells; back row – Kevin Stockton, Brian Demoisey, Cory Mortzfield, Jennifer Lammers, Mattea Zolkiewicz, and Jessica Mills.



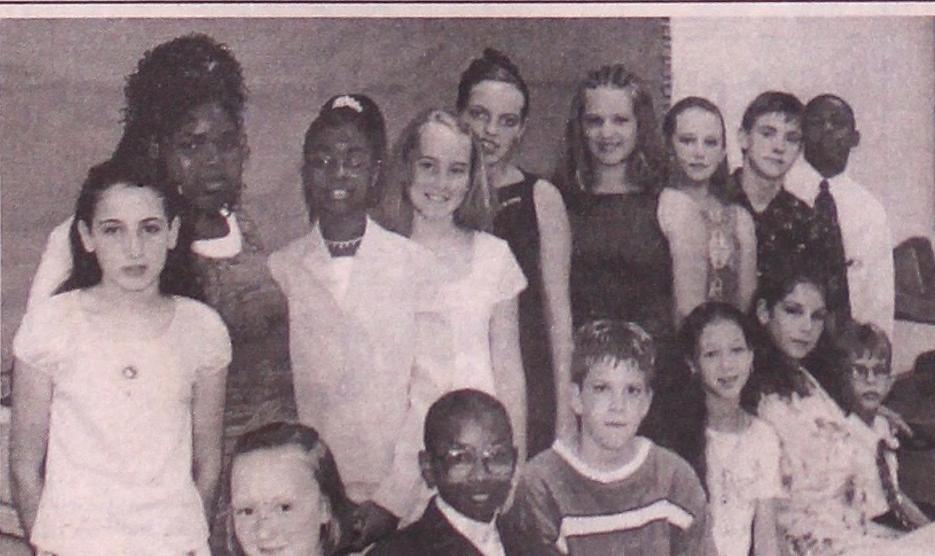
Student leaders of Halecreek's sixth-grade class included (from left): front row – Luke Hotchkiss (Vice-president, Student Advisory Council, or SAC), Katie Banks (Secretary, SAC), Ashlee Wells (President, SAC), and Cory Mortzfield (Lieutenant, Safety Patrol, or SP); back row – Diana Edwards (Lieutenant, SP), Mario Edwards (Treasurer, SAC; Lieutenant, SP), and Landria Buckley (Captain, SP).



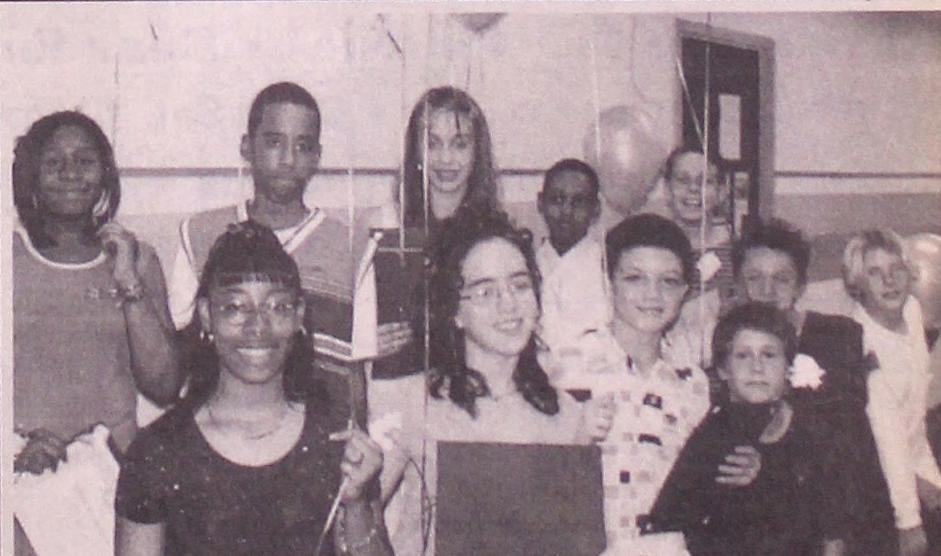
Cory's sixth-grade graduates included (from left): front row – Sammantha Chapman and Bridgette Hawes; back row – Elvis Celske, Sharise Poole, Lauren Belle, and Alan Huguley.



Among Merriman Elementary's sixth-grade honor students were (from left): front row – Caleb Tipton and Ryan Foster; back row – Chris Wade, Amanda Nowicki, Jessica Workman, and Megan Whalen.



Sixth-grade honor students at Barth included (from left): front row – Patricia Silvey, Ronald Carter, Skylar Winter, Katrell Duncan, Kristine Plank, and Bradley Bills; back row – Anisa Rakic, Chrisma Nathaniel, Ashley Moss, Megan Bearman, Jeannie Hayes, Amanda Hollis, Lindsay Green, Ron Kreutzer, and Jarran Booker.



Wick Elementary's sixth-grade graduates who attended their school's awards ceremony included (from left): front row – Merrika Brown, Lola Wynn, John Sandefur, and Travis Camilleri; back row – Octavia Hester, James Bell, Lindsay Beregsasy, Darryl Carroll, Jonathan Rafalski, James Blanton, and Jason Elwell.

Letters to the Editor

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Drive, are safe for our community and will help clean up our environment by providing a source of safe and permanent disposal of toxic waste.

I have also concluded that if deep-injection wells were not safe, our state and federal governments would not allow them to be built and operated, and our university professors would not sign their names to reports which say that the wells are safe. This is only logical. We citizens *must* rely on our government and university experts in such matters—the alternative would be chaos.

The first EDS injection well has been built and, I understand, tested to determine if it is safe. Surely, the test results speak for themselves—either the well is safe or it isn't. I expect that your department has now made that determination and you should stand behind it, regardless of how loud a few misguided and uninformed individuals scream and yell.

The few protestors in Romulus (Romulus Environmentalists Care About People, or RECAP) must have ulterior motives other than stopping EDS for "environmental" reasons. They ignore contaminated sites which need to be cleaned up, but aren't, because no money is available to pay for it. They ignore continued illegal dumping in our streams and ditches. All this just to criti-

cize a proven form of safe liquid-waste disposal. Whenever these protestors are asked, by other citizens and reporters from our local newspapers, for evidence to back up their wild statements, they refuse and accuse the asking party of being "bought off" by EDS. (Why is it that these protestors' strongest supporters are EDS' competitors, who continue to pump toxins into our sewers and then on into our rivers and lakes?)

In conclusion, I want you to know that I, a former Senior Romulus City Councilman and long-term Romulus resident, welcome EDS' injection wells in our community and I recommend that you approve EDS' construction permit as soon as possible.

Enclosed is an editorial from this week's edition of *The Romulus News* (June 16, 2000; Volume 13, Number 23), also recommending that the permit be issued. According to the editorial: "... it would be morally wrong to deny EDS its permit because of objections raised by politically motivated officials or misinformed citizens."

On behalf of my neighbors, my family, and myself, please accept our apology for the ridiculous statements and accusations made by a few misguided citizens which have caused a real "black eye" on the City of Romulus.

Yours Very Truly,
Jimmie C. Raspberry □



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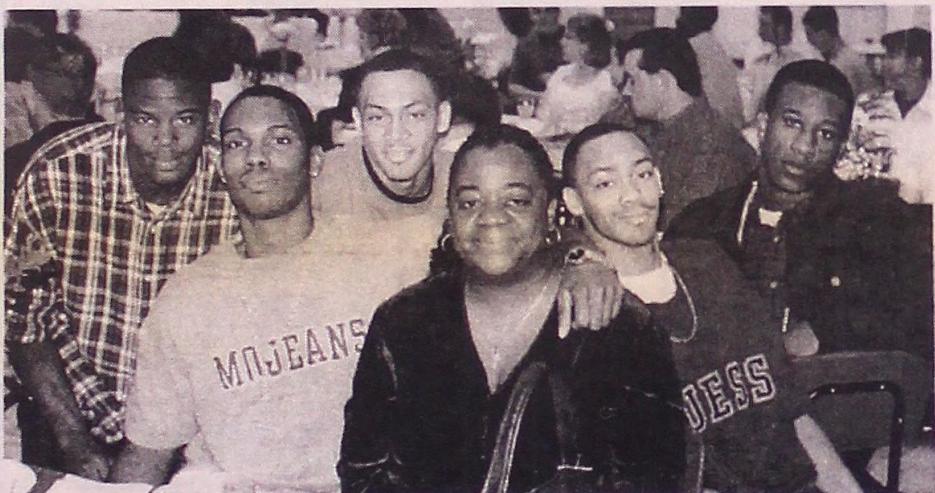
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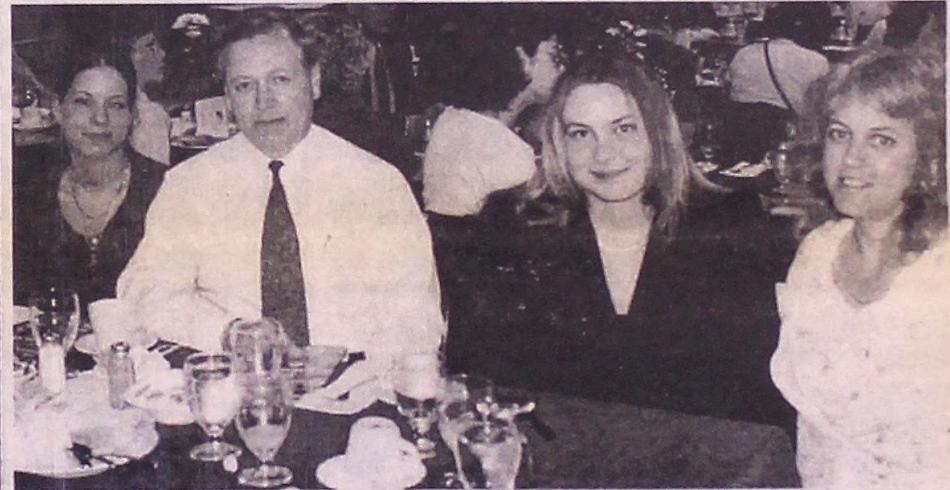
(From left) Rick Johnson (Financial Manager, Aztec Manufacturing), Erin Conway (co-op student), and Frank Lopez (President, Aztec Manufacturing) were among those who attended Romulus High School's annual School-to-Work Breakfast, held May 5 in the cafeteria.



Huron Valley Laboratories (represented by David Blossom, Comptroller) was one of 29 companies that employed a total of 46 Romulus High School students (including Angela Hemphill) through the School-to-Work program this year.



Angie Curry (Personnel Manager, Bedor Food Service; third from the right) and co-op students (from left) Henry Staples, Donald Newton, Antwan Delany, Dean Gee, and Dujuan Delany were also in attendance at the event, which was organized by Marilyn Hidenfelter, Work-based Learning Coordinator for the High School (not pictured).



(From left) Christy Weidemann (co-op student), Markku Palomaki (Human Resources Manager, Woodbridge Foam Corporation), Rachel Kolar (co-op student), and Jeannie George (Sales Manager, Ramada Inn) listened as Dr. Halyna Bialczyk of the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency (not pictured) discussed today's world of work.



(From left) Autumn Debus (co-op student) and Ellen Merideth (Office Manager, Express Tool & Die) enjoyed the breakfast, which was prepared and served by the High School's culinary-arts class under instructor Charles Usztics and his assistant, Sue St. Angelo.



The business visitors – including Mark J. Lewkowicz (President, Landis Machine Shop; right) – made many favorable remarks about their young employees (such as Eric Renner), the breakfast, and the overall educational programs and facilities that they saw at the High School.

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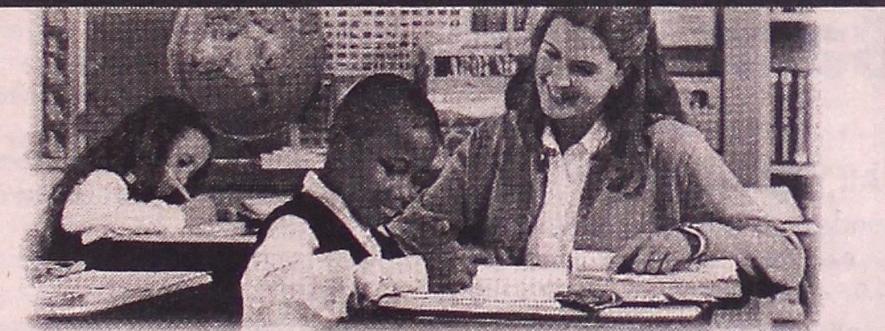
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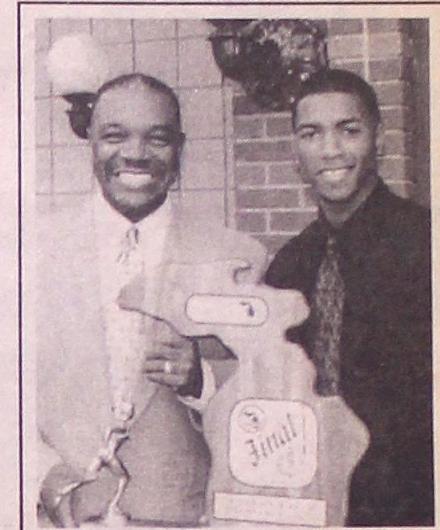
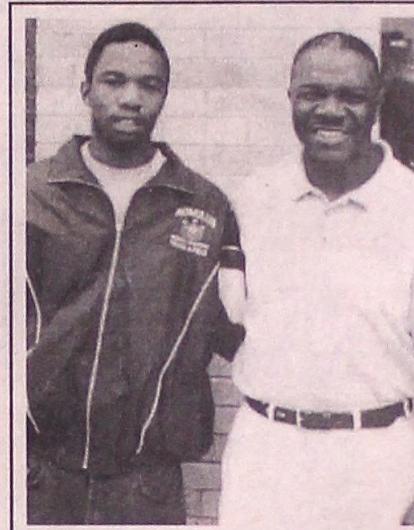


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"Coach of the Year" Inspired Athletes



Romulus High School track coach Norbert Glover, recently named Division II's "Coach of the Year," has been a big inspiration to his young athletes, including Ray Graves (left) and Ashley Terry (right). Graves was this year's State Champion in the long jump; Terry, who won the State's 400-meter dash last year, finished second in this year's contest, and was also a member of the State Champion 1,600- and 3,200-meter relay teams.

Romulus High School's Class of 1980 Searches for Missing Members

As Romulus High School's Class of 1980 prepares for its twenty-year reunion (to be held at the Romulus Marriott on Saturday, August 26, from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m.), class leaders are looking for "missing" members in order to notify them of the upcoming event.

The missing classmates are: John Accord, Paul Ahsley, Marvin Anderson, Sharon Arnold, Dean Aulrich, Ramon Badia, Jim Beck, Marvin Bivins, Toni Bonavitch, Zenobia Breedlove, Bill Brind, Darla Brooks, Peggy Brown, Tammy Brown, Tim Brown, Bernard Bullock, Theresa Burkey, Aaron Butler, Jeff Cady, Joseph Calderone, Brenda Clark, Jarvis Clark, Andrea Clawton, Lisa Cope, Theresa Coppo, Richard Cottongin, Richard Courson, Doug Cox, Lisa Cox, Robert Curry, Kathy Delong, Cathy Dixon, Delton Dixon, Charles Dorsey, Lynette Eady, Gary Eanes, David Earle, Rick Flournoy, Lisa Foland, Chris Ford, Linda Franklin, David Glass, David Golden, William Granger, Cheryl Griffin, Connie Grobbel, Jackie Haendel, Theresa Harris, Michelle Havard, Mary Haveraneck, Shelly Hearst, Jeff Henrikowski, Cheri Hinkley, Leonard Hodges, Denise Hoffman, Dan Johnston, Sandra Jones, Dave Kendrick, Patricia Kennedy, Karyn Kirker, Michelle Kitchens, Carrie Kruger, Parry Lee, Daryll Lewis, Tammy Lewis, Madeline Marbly, Mike McCrory, Barbara McPhee, Debra Meyer, Dave Mitchell, Francine

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If you have information about any of the missing classmates listed above - or if you would like more information about reunion tickets (\$60 per person before July 15/\$70 per person afterward; no tickets sold after August 1) - please contact one of the following people:

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- Donna Brazeau (Finegan): 734-955-6836
- Lori Graczyk: 734-595-6712
- Zina Matheny (Hamilton): 734-777-0306 or zinabusygirl@ca.com
- Debbie Gurkin (Beem): cdgurkin@excelonline.com
- Al Dennet: ttennedla@aol.com □

Caburet Is Capitol Scholar



On May 9, State Representative Ray Basham invited students (from left) Nicole Woodford (Taylor Truman High School), Stephanie Ambrus (Taylor Kennedy High School), and Elizabeth Caburet (Romulus High School) to spend a day with him in Lansing for a firsthand lesson in government as part of the "Capitol Scholars" program.

Arbitrator Rules on Disputed Benefits

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had been in effect for some time with full knowledge of the council ..."

Before concluding his order, Daniel also commented on the provisions that the 1995 benefit package attempted to establish. In his opinion, they "... proposed some very extraordinary benefits with considerable future cost to the city ..." and "... would seem to be far beyond what any employee in a normal employment situation could ever achieve ..."

The Reaction

Although McAnally declined to answer our questions, both Oakley and City Attorney Stephen Hitchcock were willing to comment on the decision.

"The entire sequence of events speaks for itself," said Oakley. "Obviously, the Romulus taxpayer has been taken advantage of and now must pay the bill because a few used their posi-

tion to make decisions in their own best interest. What they should have done was make decisions that were in the best interest of the community."

Hitchcock also questioned the motives behind the attempted increases – particularly the one proposed in 1995.

"When Mayor Beverly McAnally challenged Oakley's victory by demanding a recount, it appeared to be a strategic move to allow her the opportunity to increase the benefit packages. She was certainly aware that the benefits in existence at the time employment ceases are those which will be effective throughout the life of the retiree, and that may have been why she terminated her appointees herself: to prevent the benefits from being changed back by the new mayor."

The exact cost that the City will incur as a result of the arbitrator's decision is not yet known. □

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Community Calendar

- Summer Sports Camps** – A number of summer sports camps for kids in grades seven through twelve have been planned by the Romulus Community Schools. They include one for basketball ("John Long Summer Basketball Camp; \$100; July 5–8), one for football (free; July 10–11), one for volleyball (free; July 10–12), one for wrestling (free; July 10–11), and one for tennis (free; July 13–15). For information, call 734-941-3414.
- Belleville Farmer's Market** – The City of Belleville is sponsoring a weekly Farmer's Market which will be open at 7 a.m. each Saturday from July 8 through the balance of the growing season. The market will be located in the parking lot behind the Museum at 405 Main Street. Vendors are invited to bring their fresh produce and food items, as well as homemade baked goods and other homemade food products to sell. To help defray the costs of advertising and promotion, vendors will be charged \$8 per day per stall. For information/application, call the Belleville City Clerk: 734-697-9323.
- The Mayor's Chair** – The next edition of the monthly *Mayor's Chair* program will air on cable channel 12 beginning at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 13. Tentative plans call for a discussion of the newly reorganized Ministry Association by the Reverends Willis, Kren, and Adams. Anyone who would like to be present when the program is taped must be seated in the Council Chambers at Romulus City Hall (11111 Wayne Road, at Goddard) by 6:15 p.m. Beginning at 6 p.m., home viewers can ask questions of the Mayor and his guests by calling 734-942-7571.
- Chili Cookoff** – If you like spicy food, the hottest ticket in town this summer will be the fourth annual Unsanctioned Chili Cookoff, scheduled for Saturday, July 22, at the Wayne County Fair. (Fairgrounds are located at I-94 and Belleville Road; take the westbound service drive past the Cracker Barrel Restaurant to Quirk Road and turn right.) Space is limited, so sign up early. Call Kay (734-697-9376) or Jill (734-525-7799) for information.
- National Night Out** – The City of Romulus is inviting the public to take part in its annual National Night Out crime-awareness program, set for Saturday, July 29, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. This year's fun-filled event will take place in the downtown area, and will feature attractions such as live entertainment (including a magic show, music, and dancers), hayrides, a dunk tank, carnival-type games, a dance contest, face painting, fortune telling, a craft show (space still available), police and fire exhibits, food, prizes, and more. For further information, call the Center at 734-942-6852.
- "Jam for the Lamb"** – On Saturday, August 5, the City of Milan will come alive with the sounds of the 4th Annual "Jam for the Lamb" Christian youth concert, geared to the ears of ages 13 to 20. Headlining the festival will be Polarboy, a Nashville-based group that's a purveyor of classic rock/acoustic/alternative music. Regional bands will include Big Al's Coaster Club (ska), BCOG Praise Team (tribal rock), Son of Adam (rock/alternative), and Nitro Praise (hip-hop/techno). Plans also call for tons of outdoor activities, including rollerblading, Twinkie-eating contests, tug-o-war, 3-on-3 basketball, skateboarding, and beach volleyball. Lawn chairs, frisbees, and coolers are welcome; concession food will be available, as well. Admission to the event (to be held on the grounds of the Milan Free Methodist Church at US-23 and Carpenter Road) is \$5 per person. Tickets are available at the gate or in advance at Crossroads Bible and Book in Ann Arbor. (There are also opportunities for people to volunteer and get in free.) For more information, call Tracy Ball at 734-697-5606.
- Immunization Fair** – Romulus Community Schools – in collaboration with the Romulus Adolescent Health Center and Oakwood Healthcare Outreach – will host an immunization fair at Merriman Elementary School on Thursday, August 24, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. All vaccinations (\$2 each) will be available. In order for a child to be immunized, his or her parent must be present, and must bring a copy of the child's shot record. For more information, call Laura Ralko at 734-941-0272.
- RHS Class of 1975 To Hold 25-year Reunion** – Romulus High School's Class of 1975 will hold its 25-year reunion on Saturday, October 7, at the Knights of Columbus Hall (Dearborn Heights). For information, call Annie (Flowers) Hadyriak (734-941-8032) or Peggy (Stearns) Staten (941-7464).

To place information in our next issue's Community Calendar, mail it to "the little paper" at P.O. Box 74038, Romulus, MI 48174-0038; FAX it to us at 941-4874; or call 941-1907 or 941-3113

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"Fourth of July" Travelers Staying in State To Be Up 41%

More Michiganans have Fourth of July travel plans this year than last, but a lot more will keep their travel dollars in-state, according to AAA Michigan.

High gas prices may be a factor in the decision to remain in Michigan for the holiday. More than one-third (35%) of those surveyed said higher gas prices would affect their summer travel plans in some way. On average (as of June 12), motorists will pay \$2.011 – 87 cents more than last year – for a gallon of self-serve, regular unleaded gas.

According to the Auto Club survey, conducted in late May, most of the Michigan travel destinations will be in the Lower Peninsula (78%), while 20% will visit the Upper Peninsula.

Of those planning to leave the state over the Independence Day holiday, 86% will stay within the United States; 17% will visit Ohio, Virginia, New York, Wisconsin, Illinois, and Colorado are also popular out-of-state destinations.

The majority – 84% – will travel by car, truck, or van, while another 7% will use a recreational vehicle. Twenty-two percent of those surveyed said they will extend their vacation beyond the extended Fourth of July weekend, while 16% said they will work the entire week, including the Fourth of July holiday.

Based on requests received for AAA TourBook guides, TripTik routings, and maps, the top five summer destinations in Michigan are: Metro Detroit (number one), Mackinac Island (two), Mackinaw City (three), Traverse City (four), and Sault Ste. Marie (five).

Tourism in Michigan is a \$9.5-billion-a-year industry, and the state remains one of the best travel values. This year, the average family of four will spend \$206 daily for food and lodging in Michigan – \$11 more than last year. □

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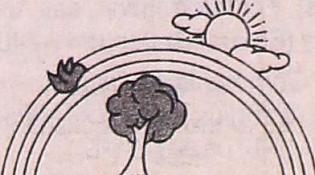
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Children's Games

11:00 a.m.

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Home Run Derby

1:30 p.m.

Music and Karaoke

by Willie Hester

5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Fireworks Spectacular

10:00 p.m.

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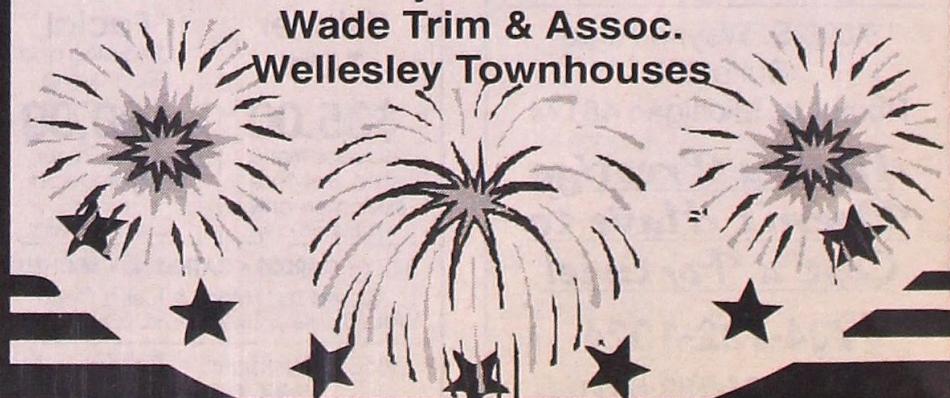
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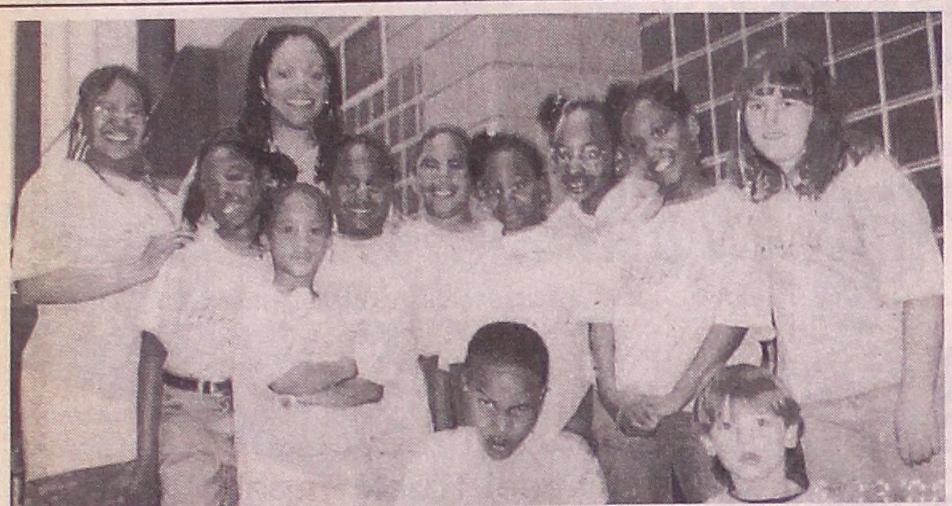
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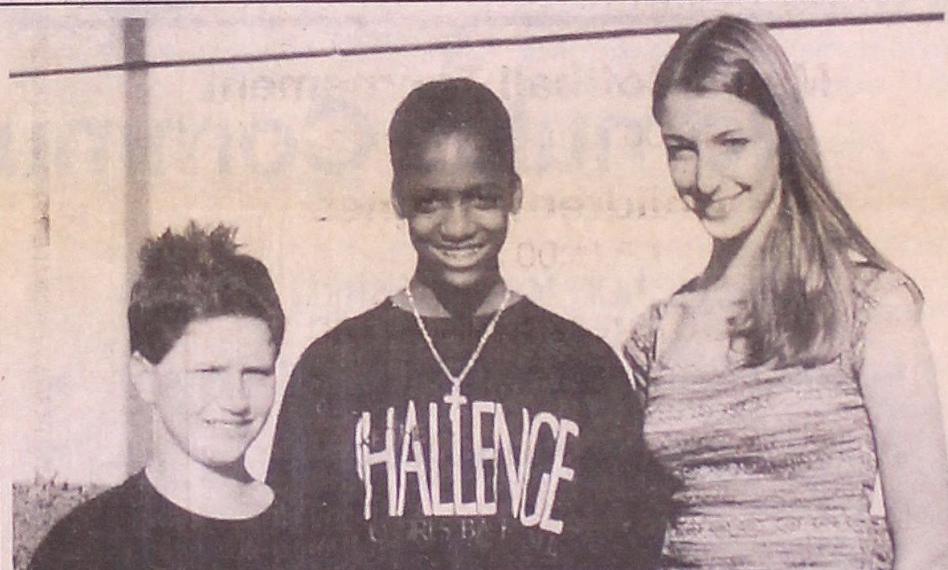
Ellen Bragg (back, second from left) led the 21st-century Community Learning Center's choir when it performed at Romulus High School last month for Family Fun Day. The event was sponsored by the Romulus Mayor's Drug Task Force.



Among those who celebrated the Romulus High School track team's State Championship (Division II) were (from left): Tom Dolan, Curriculum Director; Joel Carr, Superintendent; Rosalie Berlin, paraprofessional, Romulus High School; and Ken Berlin, Secretary, Board of Education.



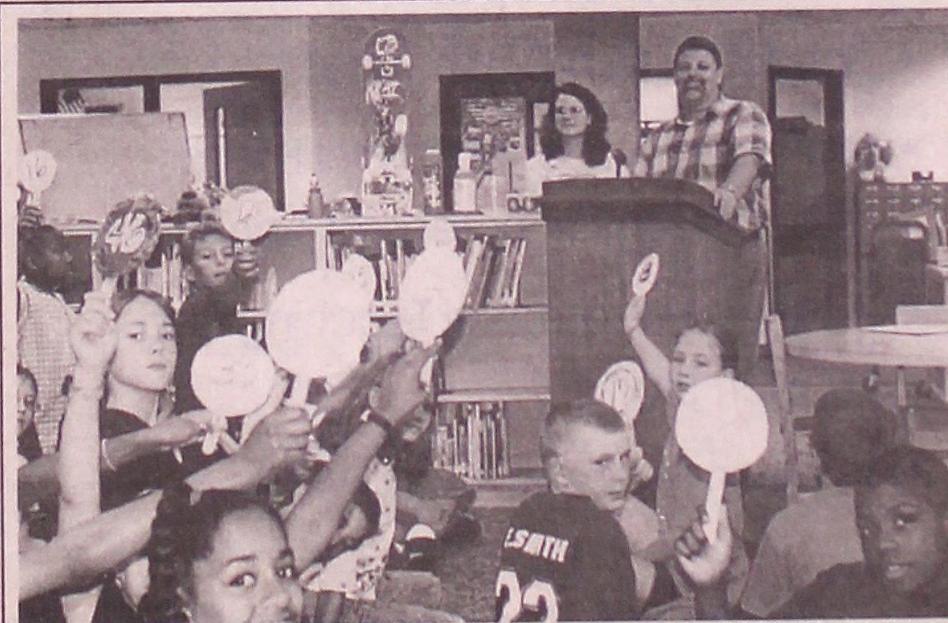
Dan Hurst, Principal of Romulus High School, and Diane Vidovic, Director of the Romulus Adolescent Health Center, are proud that Romulus has been chosen as a visitation site for the National Adolescent Health Center Conference this summer.



(From left) Tim Lewis, Deborah Anderson, and Kristina Rafalski are truly "all-around students" at Romulus Middle School. As three of four students recently recognized as "scholar athletes," they have exhibited academic proficiency as well as excellence in both athletics and music.

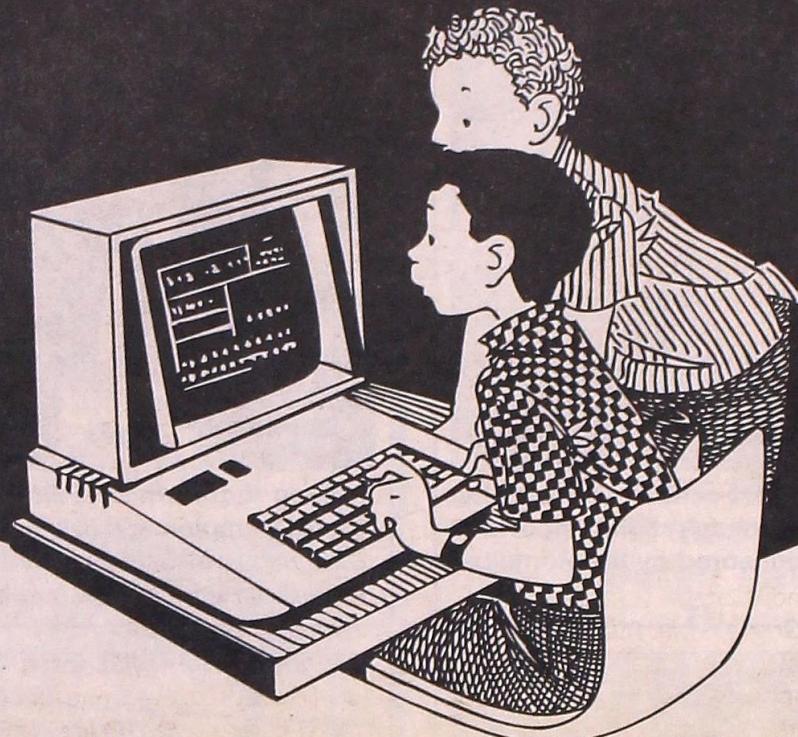


Romulus firefighter Larry Baxter demonstrated the range of the new firetruck hose for students at Wick Elementary School.



Students at Barth Elementary got to participate in a silent auction, spending "reward money" earned for good behavior.

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Barth Elementary

HONOR ROLL

Note: An asterisk denotes those students who received all "A" grades.

Fifth Grade - Mr. Blackburn

Tiffany Gray, Dean Kovacs, and Anne Marie Martin.

Fifth Grade - Mrs. Kline

Alysa Long, Stephanie Spoonamore, and Dakota Watson.

Sixth Grade - Mr. Baty

Megan Bearman, Bradley Bills, Jarra Booker, Jeannie Hayes, Amanda Hollis, Ronald Kreutzer, Anisa Rakic, and Patricia Silvey.

Sixth Grade - Mrs. Reott

Ronald Carter Jr., Katrell Duncan, Lindsy Green, Ashley Moss, Chrissa Nathaniel, Kristine Plank, and Skylar Winter.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Kindergarten - Mrs. Richard

Kaivon Barker, Derrian Cooley, Dayna Heard, Sherrod Mack, and John Watts IV.

First Grade - Mrs. Fisher

Aprell Arthur and Ira Brandon III.

First Grade - Mrs. Street

Justin Sawdy.

Third Grade - Mrs. Gursky

Kyla Barker and Erik Williams.

Fourth Grade - Ms. Fritz

Amelia Pelayo and Carrie Sawdy.

Fourth Grade - Mrs. Winter

Rachel Arthur and Tricia Wana-maker.

Fifth Grade - Mr. Blackburn

Anthony Williams.

Fifth Grade - Mrs. Kline

Alysa Long.

Sixth Grade - Mrs. Reott

Benjamin DeFelice, Lindsy Green, and Joshua Sawdy.

Cory Elementary

HONOR ROLL

Note: An asterisk denotes those students who received all "A" grades.

Third Grade - Ms. McGlynn

Chastity Beard, Samuel Cox, Nicholas Curry, Eugene Dixon, Shakiyla Eady, Abiola Emanuel, *Christina Gillespie, *Mariah Haney, Ondre Mathews-Griffin, Alaura Harper, Josiah Jackson, *Nicole Siemaszko, *Kaela Torres, and India Williams.

Third Grade - Ms. Price

*Cody Barnes, Britnee Bishop, Jessica Cronk, Justin Hartman, Dale Jackson, Jordan Reavis, Dominique Ross, Nigerrea Simpson, Danielle Stephens, Loren Townes, and Sam Wells.

Third Grade - Ms. Roberts

Michael Allen, *Christine Amis, Jasmine Chambers, *Meriah Chapman, *Rodney Cofield, *Melissa DuFore, Richard Gregory, *Edward Hall, *Kahyla Harris, *Felicia Martin, *Aaron Preston, Eric Savitski, Cedric Staples, and Amanda Zavitz.

Fourth Grade - Ms. Lybik

Michael Carter, Melissa Cofield, Calvin Crawford, Kassie Gray, Rebecca Hall, Anjenette Hood, Brittany Perry, Jacob Pykor, *Kyle Sherwood, Leroy Talley, and Denzell Taylor.

Fourth Grade - Ms. Pluff

Latiesa Burnett, Camille Crawford, *Chelsea Earby, Patrick Farkas, Cameron Jackson, Christopher McGovern, *Marjorie Miskey, Larry Nastal, Patricia Reyna, Aaron Rollin, and Clara Windom.

Fourth Grade - Ms. Walters

DaShawn Banks, Jasmine Brown, Alecia Morgan, Kevin Riley, *Darius Rose, *Thomas Slatinsky, *Akara Stoval, and Beatrice Thornton.

Fifth Grade - Ms. Miller

Maurice Anderson, Sarah Berger, LaRhonda Colvin, Yetunde Emanuel, and Kirk Patterson.

Fifth Grade - Ms. Sims

Nicole Carroll, Rashaunda Graham, *Aurielle McCauley, Tiffany Penn, LeJohnna Reid, Jacqueline Smith, and Theresa Windom.

Sixth Grade - Mr. Smith

Lauren Belle, Sammantha Chapman, Tiffany Claiborne, *Doloris Garry, Alan Huguley, *Brian Rodger, *Arlennea Savage, and Antonia Walker.

Sixth Grade - Ms. Williams

*Ayibatari Burutolu, *Carl Gillespie, *Anthony Groce, Brittani Haney, Courtney Lester, Quinton Mark, Sharise Poole, Anne Ross, and Thomas Rutherford.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Kindergarten "A" - Ms. Cristini

Latoya Colvin, Kameron Evans, Kevin Makela, Terrance Price, Azia Riley, Andrea Ross, and Abigail Wasiak.

Kindergarten "B" - Ms. Cristini

Megan Bratcher, Franchella Foreman, Devan Hearst, Dante Tyson, Darius Tyson, and Katie Wiltse.

First Grade - Ms. Barrs

Kyra Crawford, Tiffany Cummings, Lakisha Foreman, Heather Mason, and DaJuan Partee.

First Grade - Ms. Green

Erica Carter, Briana Glenn, Bryant Hicks, Benjamin Hojnowski, Michael Householder, Kevin Lawrence, Sara Sandy, Shauntia Sanford, Derek Sears, Shaquille Tipton, Katie VanBuren, Jasmine White, Shane Wilkinson.

First Grade - Ms. Watson

Valerie Crawford, Ashley Cribbs, Zachary Curry, EraMae Gibson, Brittany Glenn, Michael Henich, Brittni Hillard, Kahrah Noel, Antoniece Toliver, Les'Cia Watkins, and Zachary Williams.



Romulus Middle School students who earned straight "A's" all year included (from left): front row - Matthew Steffani, Jazmine Bennett, Sarah Lindroth, Jessica Trahey, and LaRiche Jones; back row - Ryan Tackett, Joann Tieppo, Toni Gibson, Britany Sawdy, and Teela Carroll.

Second Grade - Ms. Baluk

Catherine Bratcher, Ashley Cofield, Ammie Gordon, Keoni Mundy, and Emmanuel Sanders.

Second Grade - Ms. Kahler

Mercedes Hawes and Amber Sears.

Third Grade - Ms. Price

Jessica Cronk, Ronald Kersey, and Alexis Riley.

Third Grade - Ms. Roberts

Michael Allen, Christine Amis, Meriah Chapman, Rodney Cofield, Melissa DuFore, and Amanda Zavitz.

Fourth Grade - Ms. Lybik

Calvin Crawford.

Fourth Grade - Ms. Pluff

Johnny Reid and Clara Windom.

Fourth Grade - Ms. Walters

DeShawn Banks.

Fifth Grade - Ms. Miller

Courtney Chaney and Justin Wasiak.

Fifth Grade - Ms. Sims

James Hayes, Tiffany Penn, LeJohnna Reid, and Eric Smith.

Sixth Grade - Mr. Smith

Doloris Garry, Anthony Glimps, Bridgette Hawes, Brian Rodger, Arlennea Savage, Jessica Sears, and Antonia Walker.

Sixth Grade - Ms. Williams

Ayibatari Burutolu, Tamara Carney, and Carmen Coleman.

Wick Elementary

ALL-YEAR HONOR ROLL

Note: An asterisk denotes those students who received all "A" grades during the entire school year.

Third Grade - Mrs. Albus

*Levi Adams, Romel Arrington, Raheem Brown, Brad Burcroft, Joshua Horne, *Lauren Jones, Alisha Moon, Quinn Nash, Latrice Parnell, and Asia Shareef.

Third Grade - Mrs. Gable

Christopher Cambell-Fultz, Joseph Dent, Kyara Lee, *Stephanie Monroe,

Felicia Olson, *Grant Pizzo, and Kiarra Sandefur.

Third Grade - Mrs. Zeleji

Jasmine Abney, Lauren Alley, Kystal Burrell, Erica Herren, Kiarrah Jackson, Bianca Mack, Tamica Mosley, Nicole Sattler, Jon Swagerty, and September Waites.

Fourth Grade - Mrs. Barnes

Dean Burcroft, Shaniya Dye, Stefanie Holbrook, Larry Horne, Tanisha Hubbard, Lawrence Jones, Jacob Krell, Alicia Matatall, Jasmine Parnell, *Shauna Pitman, Justin Price, and Stephanie Rutherford.

Fourth Grade - Mr. Bingaman

Antoine Baines, Ashley Chandler, *Carmen Collie, Christopher Floyd, Valencia Mathews, *Celeste Moody, Ashley Simmons, Jessica Wallace, and Brandon Williams.

Fourth Grade - Mrs. Motyka

Tiffani Cannon, Kristen Dubisky, *Steven Hawes, Thomas Kortas, Nicole Love, Krystal Nault, Darius Osborne, *Samuel Pizzo, and Matthew Wagle.

Fifth Grade - Mr. Gibb-Randall

*Andrew Boyd, *Jennifer Dick, *Jessica Dick, Tatiana Gray, Carrie Hampton, Antoine James, Kathleen Marcum, Darius Price, Richard Remilius, Alex Sampson, Monay Smith, Kandice Wells, and *Shakita Wilson.

Fifth Grade - Mrs. Kyte

*Shon Aggison, Jason Britton, Tanesha Burkes, Katelyn Crozier, Cortez Dyess, Jaclyn Evanski, Demaryst Garwood, Quintin Gregory, Daniel Hoskins, Katrina Little, Cherica Peoples, Ashley Rodgers, Bethany Strain, and Brittany Wright.

Sixth Grade - Mrs. Meredith

Shamika Eldridge, Michael Hudson, Alicia Jackson, Jacob Kettlewell, Marco Little, Chrishawna Meeks, Joshua Rivera, Bobby Russell, Shantrice Tatum, and Lorenzo Wilson.

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Now Open: "Gateway" To Good Golf



(From left) Developer Sam Cottone, Romulus Mayor William M. Oakley, and Romulus Community Schools Superintendent Joel R. Carr can attest to the fact that the golfing is good at the Gateway community's newly opened "back nine." The "front nine" is expected to open in early August.

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SPECIAL MEETING, JUNE 14, 2000

The Special Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held on Wednesday, June 14, 2000, was called to order by President Betty M. Lenossi at 6:30 P.M.

Roll call showed member Michael Woods absent (excused). Administrators Joel R. Carr, Edward Clark, and William Routhier were present.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Lenossi.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

6/00/13 Moved by McCraight supported by Lambert to approve the Agenda as presented. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

Ratification of Local 64 Contract

6/00/14 Moved by Lambert supported by Webb that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve a new collective bargaining agreement with Local 64, Council 25, AFSCME, for the years 2000 through 2003. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

6/00/15 Moved by Lambert supported by Webb that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:33 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth E. Berlinn, Secretary
Romulus Board of Education

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REGULAR MEETING, JUNE 13, 2000

The Regular Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held on Tuesday, June 13, 2000, was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by President Betty M. Lenossi.

Roll call showed member Debbie Dick absent (excused). Mr. Thomas Dolan, Director of Curriculum, was absent (excused). All other administrators were present.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Lenossi.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

6/00/1 Moved by Lambert supported by Webb to approve the Agenda as presented. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

6/00/2 Moved by Berlinn supported by McCraight to approve the Minutes of May 22, 2000, as presented. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

Personnel Actions

Mr. Edward Clark, Director of Human Resources, offered the following personnel actions for Board approval.

EMPLOYMENT: Maureen Brennan, Teacher, 2nd Grade, Cory Elementary School, Effective August 28, 2000; Julie L. Kovar, Teacher, Special Ed., Barth Elementary School, Effective August 28, 2000; Jennifer Lock, Teacher, Special Ed., Middle School, Effective August 28, 2000; Carmen Lawes, Teacher, Science, High School, Effective August 28, 2000; Felicia Norwood, Teacher, 2nd Grade, Cory Elementary School, Effective August 28, 2000; Janel Pearson, Teacher, 6th Grade, Halcreek Elementary School, Effective August 28, 2000; Sarah Scott, Teacher, Special Ed., Middle School, Effective August 28, 2000; and Makara Williams, Teacher, 5th Grade, Wick Elementary School, Effective August 28, 2000.

6/00/3 Moved by Lambert supported by Webb to approve the personnel actions as presented by Mr. Edward Clark, Director of Human Resources. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Bills for Payment

6/00/4 Moved by Webb supported by Lambert to approve the Bills for Payment as submitted. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Ratification of Local 1917 Contract

6/00/5 Moved by Lambert supported by Woods that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of Mr. Joel R. Carr, Superintendent, and approve a new collective bargaining agreement with Local 1917, Council 25, AFSCME, for the years 2000 through 2003. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Computer Purchase

6/00/6 Moved by Webb supported by Woods that the Board purchase sixty (60) iMac Computers from Apple Computers for a cost of \$74,940. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Dynacom Update

6/00/7 Moved by Berlinn supported by Woods that the Board of Education contract with Henkels and McCoy, Inc., to upgrade our Dynacom systems in all schools. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Disposal of Surplus Equipment – Senior High Industrial Education

6/00/8 Moved by Lambert supported by Webb that the Board of Education declare items on the attached listing as surplus equipment. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Special Education County Millage

Deleted.

Elementary School – Discussion

Superintendent Joel R. Carr discussed the timelines and other issues relative to the new elementary school and responded to questions posed by members of the Board of Education.

Athletic Trainer – Oakwood Hospital Contract

6/00/9 Moved by McCraight supported by Lambert that the Board of Education contract with Oakwood Healthcare Center for Athletic Training services for the year 2000–2001. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Textbook Adoptions – Social Studies

6/00/10 Moved by Lambert supported by McCraight that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the Social Studies Department to adopt the Economics and American Government texts – Economics by O'Sullivan and Sheffrin and Government by Wilson and Dilulio. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Communications and Expressions from the Public

Mrs. Evelyn Koerber congratulated members Betty Lenossi and Michael Woods on their reelection to the Board of Education.

Items of Interest from the Superintendent

Mr. Joel R. Carr, Superintendent, shared the following items of interest with members of the Board of Education: 1) WXYZ Letter – NHS; 2) Athletic Camps; 3) Art Show – RESA; 4) High School Film Festival; 5) Language Arts Demo – Format; 6) Schools of Choice; and 7) MASB Conference – November – Presentation Application.

Questions and/or Concerns of Board Members

Mr. Michael Woods congratulated the track team for their state championship.

Mr. Billy McCraight suggested that we write a letter of congratulations to the track team. He also asked about a safety device for special-ed. drivers.

Mrs. Betty Lenossi suggested that we take a look at the Bus Discipline Policy.

Mr. Kenneth Berlinn said that the Board should go to informal dress for the summer and suggested that we have a Spring Sports Banquet.

Mr. Alan Lambert suggested that we take a look at what we want to do about cable TV. Mr. Joel R. Carr suggested that we might want to have a possible half-hour monthly program.

Executive Session – Negotiations

6/00/11 Moved by McCraight supported by Webb that the Board convene in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing negotiations. Roll call vote showed: Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Board convened in Executive Session at 7:31 P.M. and reconvened in Regular Session at 8:16 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT:

6/00/12 Moved by McCraight supported by Lambert that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

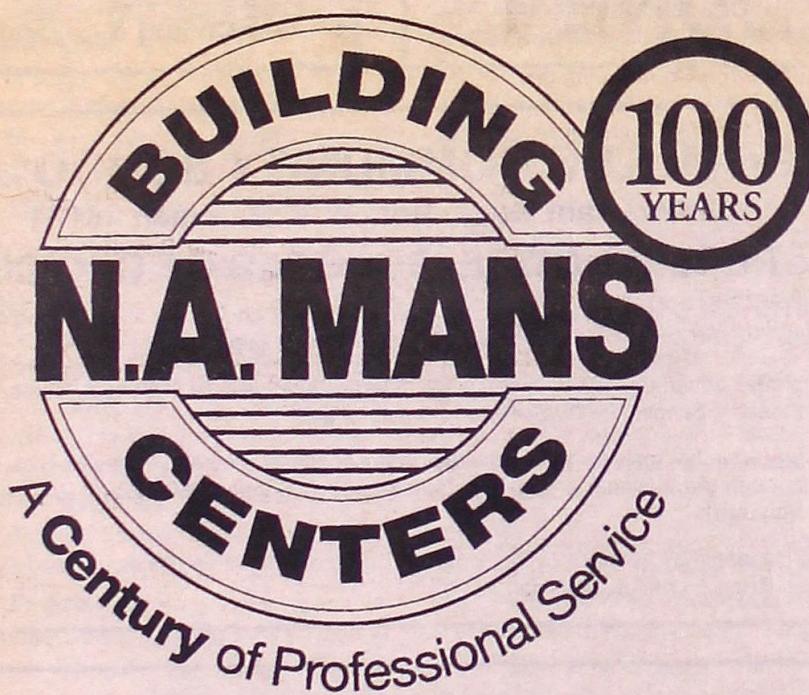
The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth E. Berlinn, Secretary
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Oakleys: 50 Years of Marriage

Mayor and Mrs. William M. Oakley celebrated 50 years of marriage at a family dinner reception held at the Romulus Marriott Hotel on Saturday, June 10, 2000. The party marking Bill and Mary's golden anniversary fell on the exact same date as their wedding ceremony, half a century ago.

The couple were joined at the recep-

tion by their four children – Mel and Terri Oakley, Sheila (Oakley) and Jim Stasak, Lisa (Oakley) and John Watts, and Brian and Susanne Oakley – and nine grandchildren, as well as Bill and Mary's siblings, nieces, and nephews. The festivities included dinner and Armenian and American dancing, which was particularly enjoyed by the grandchildren. □



... and cutting their wedding cake in 1950.

Sassy Seniors

By Mary E. Clark

Special thanks to Linda Norman, Senior Citizens Program Coordinator for the City of Romulus; Cheryl Blanton, Media Liaison for the Senior Center; and Melissa Morton, Manager of the Romulus Tower, for contributing information to this issue's "Sassy Seniors" column. (For more information about events at the Romulus Senior Center, located at 36515 Bibbins, please call 734-942-6852.)

Happy Birthday!

Best wishes for a wonderful birthday to those of my Romulus Tower neighbors born in the month of July: Jessie Green, Margaret Green, Esther Lloyd, Rummie Mayle, Kamla Merriweather, Virginia Paul, Beatrice Rushing, Marguerite Silvey, Dorothy Spencer, Theresa Standhardt, Ethel Teague, and Thomas Vassallo.

Outside Chore Service

Area young people doing community-service work are available to perform outside chores for senior citizens each Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call the Center.

Lunch Out ...

The Romulus Senior Center's next "Lunch Out" date will be Monday, July 24, when the van will travel to "Tuckers" in Ypsilanti. Cost is \$1.50 for transportation plus the cost of your meal. Sign up at the Center.

... and Lunch In

The bill of fare at the Center's next luncheon – set for Monday, July 31, beginning at noon – will feature Mexican enchiladas, taco salad, and more in keeping with a "South of the Border" theme. Seniorita Barbarita and Sylviana will be on hand to provide some lively musical entertainment, as will the Romulus cloggers.

Movie Matinee

The Center is inviting Romulus seniors to bring their grandchildren to next month's \$1 movie – *Stuart Little* – on Friday, July 21. Light refreshments will be served.

Fair Fun

The Romulus Senior Center has planned a trip to the Monroe County Fair on Wednesday, August 2, and to the Michigan State Fair on Monday, August 28. Details and sign-up sheet are available at the Center.

Shopping

For a transportation fee of just \$1.50, Romulus senior citizens can ride the Center's van for shopping at Southland Mall in Taylor on Tuesday, July 11, beginning at 9:30 a.m.

Since space is limited, seats will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. Payment of the transportation fee reserves your seat. No refunds will be made unless there is a waiting list. Sign up at the Center.

Water Aerobics

Wayne County Community Center is offering classes in water aerobics to senior citizens and arthritis sufferers. Classes meet each Tuesday and Thursday at 9 a.m. Cost is \$19 for 15 visits.

Although program participants may attend on their own, the Center will provide transportation for \$1 per person per day if at least three people take advantage of the service. Advance notice is required for transportation.

Haircuts

The next date for the Romulus Senior Center's haircut service is Monday, July 17, beginning at 9 a.m. If you would like to take advantage of this affordable (\$5) program, call the Center to make an appointment.

Note: All haircut clients are asked to wash their hair before coming to their appointment, as the Center does not have the necessary facilities.

Crime Watch

Crime Prevention Officer Joe Richardson of the Romulus Police Department will be at the Romulus Senior Center from 9 to 10 a.m. on Thursday, July 27, for the Center's monthly Crime Watch program. New faces are always welcome.

Regularly Scheduled Activities

The Romulus Senior Center invites you to stop by on your own or bring a friend to take part in any of the following regularly scheduled programs:

- Club #1 meetings
(11 a.m. each Tuesday)
- Bunco
(1 p.m. each Tuesday)
- Bingo
(1 p.m. each Wednesday)
- Fun & Games Night
(6 p.m. each Wednesday)
- Pinochle
(1 p.m. each Thursday)
- Quilting
(7 p.m. each Thursday).

For more information, please contact the Center.

Volunteer for National Night Out

Planning for the annual National Night Out crime-awareness program (set for July 29) is now in full swing. Volunteers who might be interested in helping to organize and run this fun and worthwhile event are invited to call the Center for more information. □

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The Romulus Community Schools will offer "schools of choice" for the following grades, buildings, and programs during the 2000–2001 school year:

- grades seven through twelve – at the Alternative Middle/High School, located at Mt. Pleasant School (39000 Superior, Romulus); and
- grade twelve (only for students who have previously attended Romulus High School through the eleventh grade) – at Romulus High School (9650 South Wayne Road, Romulus).

Applications may be made to the Romulus Board of Education offices, located at 36540 Grant Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174.

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PUBLIC NOTICE: PESTICIDE USAGE

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Sincerely,
Donald M. Morris
Supervisor of Maintenance and Operations
Romulus Community Schools

June 22, 2000

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Honor Roll, Perfect Attendance

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Sixth Grade - Mrs. Redmond

James Bell, *Lindsay Beregsasy, James Blanton, *Megan Crozier, Jason Elwell, Ashley Horyn, Siera Stewart, Michelle Thomas, and Patricia Williams.

Sixth Grade - Mrs. Richard

Brittany Hampton, Monet McCroan, and Jonathan Rafalski.

ALL-YEAR PERFECT ATTENDANCE

First Grade - Mrs. West

Robert Ames, Aaliyah Eatmon, Jessica Mack, Dylan Martinez, Adrienne Parnell, and Erica Ross.

Second Grade - Mrs. Talento

Ashley Wagle.

Third Grade - Mrs. Albus

Raheem Brown.

Third Grade - Mrs. Zeleji

September Waites.

Fourth Grade - Mrs. Barnes

Larry Horne.

Fourth Grade - Mr. Bingaman

Jasmine Long.

Fourth Grade - Mrs. Motyka

Marwin Boyd and Keith Miller.

Fifth Grade - Mr. Gibb-Randall

Jennifer Dick, Jessica Dick, Darius Price, Alex Sampson, Monay Smith, and Shakita Wilson.

Fifth Grade - Mrs. Kyte

Cortez Dyess.

Sixth Grade - Mrs. Meredith

Marco Little.

Sixth Grade - Mrs. Redmond

James Bell and Jason Elwell.

Sixth Grade - Mrs. Richard

Merrika Brown, Dawan Jackson, Monet McCroan, and Devin Milhouse.

Romulus Middle School

HONOR ROLL

Note: Students who received all "A" grades during the fourth card-marking period are indicated by an asterisk; those who did so for the entire year are indicated by a §; and eighth-graders who received all "A's" during their entire Middle School "career" are indicated by a ‡.

Seventh Grade

Ashley Allen, Latoya Allen, Kindra Anderson, Nicole Armstrong, *Kristen Atchley, Janee Barnes, Sarah Bauman, §Jazmine Bennett, Stephanie Bishop, Tiffany Block, *Brenden Boyd, *Donald Brewer, Daniel Brown, §Ronnie Brown, Kelly Bunyak, Monika Burgess, Antoine Burrell, Teela Carroll, Justin Chapman, Mauro Clark, Anica Coate, Stacy Coffey, Chrystal Coleman, Monica Cox, Jeremiah Cross, Carol Deaton, Robert Ditsch, Mia Drane-Maury, Derrick Dugan, Amy Ehrenberg, *Lauryn Farkas, Anitra Glimps, Ashley Gorkiewicz, Melissa Grace, *Crystal Hahn, Katie Hale, Kevin Hamilton, *Paris Hawkins, Emily Hornfeld, Melissa Hubbard, Jamie Hughes, LaRiche Jones, Myleah Jones, Tashia Jones, Devony Kelbassa, *Mu-neer Khan, Candace Lawrence, Steph-

nie Lewis, Vanessa Malloy, Jennifer Marshall, Johnathon McKinney, *Lisa Miller, Carolyn Moore, Leah Moore, Anjelique Moss, Antoinette Nelson, Eric Noyd, Candace Parsons, Shawn Perkins, Dijon Piggee, Andrea Redding, *Philip Roscoe, Megan Scott, Lindsay Sharp, *Sawaira Sheikh, Jennifer Shelton, *Jessica Shelton, Shaunta Simon, Larita Smith, Dwight Springer, *Paulette Stanford, §Matthew Steffani, Avery Stephenson, Anastasia Strother, Jamie Suiter, Zachary Swartz, Garrett Swezene, *Olivia Sylvester, Jeremy Thomason, §Joann Tieppo, §Jessica Trahey, Miah Wade, Sarah Ward, Natalie Watt, Sarah Williams, William Williams, Kimberly Wilson, *Lashonda Windham, Ryan Witherow, Brian Woods, Ashley Wright, and Christopher Zirkle.

Eighth Grade

Aamer Ahmad, Darnell Anderson, *Deborah Anderson, Myles Bell, *Natalie Blake, William Boddie, Kenneth Booker, Carla Broom, Ahmad Caldwell, Cassie Caldwell, Alvaro Camacho, Kristina Camilleri, Stephanie Clay, Jerry Collie, Ronny Cornelius, Elliot Craig, Rhiannon Crawford, James Davis, Christifer Debus, Thomas Drayton, Carissa Drobil, *Tanya Formosa, Jessica Frost, §Toni Gibson, Sabrina Gomes, Stephanie Gumer, Christian Hadden, Alicia Harbor, Terry Harper, Novella Haugabook, Justin Heins, Sarah Herbert, Jeffrey Hoffman, Roy Hollis, Shaenna Kettlewell, Aaron King, Jerad Kiser, April Kovacs, Kevin Kucharski, Brittni Lansbury, Timothy Lewis, §Sarah Lindroth, Stephen Lopez, Angela Lukas, James Martin, *Patrick McCollum, Patrick Miller, Jessica Modrzynski, Matthew Mortfield, Natasha Murray, Sage Nicolo, Hanaya Ombima, Rebecca Oros, LaJoya Orr, Kristina Rafalski, Tiffiney Ramsay, Lynsie Ransaw, Kristi Rice, David Rogala, Lauren Romak, Amber Saval, Heather Saval, ‡Britany Sawdy, *Sara Schultz, Alicia Sims, Christopher Speer, Ricky Staten, ‡Ryan Tackett, Iesha Taylor, Shekiyah Taylor, Rebecca Thornton, Savannah Vankeuren, Victor Voris, Isaiah Warren, Kyle Wasson, Mark Wheeler, Cherie Whorton, Reese Williams, Kiera Wilson, and Jeremiah Yeager.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Seventh Grade

Ummer Ahmad and Jamie Hughes.

Eighth Grade

Aamer Ahmad, Charmaine Atkins, Emmanuel Peters, Britany Sawdy, Ryan Tackett, Jon Taylor, and Jeremiah Yeager.

Editor's note: The Romulus News welcomes both honor-roll and perfect-attendance lists from any school that is attended by Romulus residents. To submit your school's lists, please mail them to us at P.O. Box 74038, Romulus, Michigan 48174-0038, or FAX them to 734-941-4874. □

Obituaries

Ruby (Hicks) Collins

Ruby (Hicks) Collins of Romulus, Michigan, died on Monday, June 12, 2000. She was 73 years old.

A native of French Lick, Indiana, Ruby was born on September 17, 1926.

Surviving her are her husband, Floyd J. Collins; five sons, Douglas (White Lake, MI), Lee (Romulus, MI), Jon (Detroit, MI), Randy (Detroit, MI), and Floyd White (Ternecula, CA); two daughters, Mrs. David (Sherry) Mandell (Lake Orion, MI) and Mrs.

Robert (Dawn) Collins-Gierak (Citrus Springs, FL); three brothers, Charlie, Ivan, and Bob Hicks; three step-brothers; one step-sister, Mary; 16 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

A funeral service was held on Friday, June 16, at Calvary Baptist Church (Romulus, MI), with Pastor Marvin Hawbaker officiating.

Burial was at Romulus Memorial Cemetery (Romulus, MI).

All arrangements were made by Crane Funeral Home (Romulus, MI).

Connie (Mangione) Pastore

Connie (Mangione) Pastore of Romulus, Michigan, died on Tuesday, June 13, 2000. She was 74 years old.

A native of Patterson, New Jersey, Connie was born on June 4, 1926.

Among those surviving her are her son, Vincent Pastore (Morgantown, WV); two daughters, Mrs. James (Lucille) Sparagowski (Romulus, MI) and Mrs. James (Michelle)

Zieger (Woodridge, NY); one sister, Ida Famoso (Westminster, MD); nine grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Connie was predeceased by her husband, Vincent Pastore, and one brother, John Mangione.

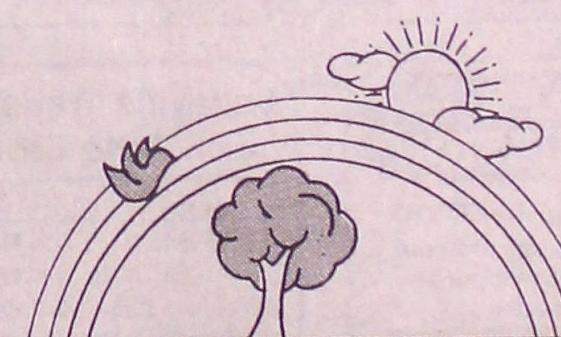
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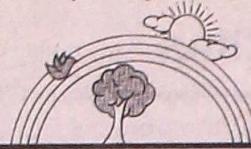
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